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SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER

Banks.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED,
THE CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON
AND CHINA.
AUTORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,200,000

BANKERS: LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent, per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS: For 12 Months 5 per cent.
" 6 " 4 "
" 3 " 3 "

JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1893. [192]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital £500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors: D. Gillic, Esq. Chow Tung Shang, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq. W. Wotton, Esq.
C. J. Hirst, Esq. Kwan Ho Chuen, Esq.

Chief Manager, GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Branches—London, Yokohama, Shanghai, Amoy and Foochow.

BANKERS:—

The Commercial Bank of Scotland, Paris Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ltd.).

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5 per Cent.
" 6 " 4 "
" 3 " 3 "

CURRENT ACCOUNTS 3 " 3 "

Hongkong, 12th December, 1892. [18]

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £2,000,000
CAPITAL CALLED-UP £25,093.15.0

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Wm. Kewell, Esq.—Chairman.
Adolf von Andie, Esq. F. D. Sassoon, Esq.
Eberhard Iversen, Esq. H. D. Stewart, Esq.
David McLean, Esq.

HONGKONG COMMITTEE: The Hon. C. P. Chater, | The Hon. J. Bell-Irving, H. Hoppius, Esq.

Head Office—3, Princes Street, London.

Branches—Bombay, Calcutta, Hongkong, and Shanghai.

Agencies—Penang, Singapore, and Yokohama.

RATES OF INTEREST.

ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS and Fixed Deposits, can be ascertained on application.

CHANTREY INCHBALD, Manager.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1893. [199]

Intimations.

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORITY of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuff and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies' and Children's Under-clothing, Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery. Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superiority will also be most grateful for any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1893. [310]

CAPTAIN CH. ROBINSON, COAL CONTRACTOR, COMPRADORE AND STEVEDORE.

SHIPS VISITING MANILA SUPPLIED WITH PROVISIONS, DUNNAGE, &c. WATER AND BALLAST BOATS.

Manila, 13th March, 1893. [318]

BANGKOK IRON WORKS COMPANY, (IN LIQUIDATION).

THE PREMISES and PLANT of the above named Company will be offered for SALE, by PUBLIC AUCTION on the PREMISES, at 2 P.M. on the 1st March, 1893, if not previously disposed of by PRIVATE CONTRACT.

Particulars as to PLANT, CONDITIONS of LEASE, &c., can be obtained on application to the OFFICE of this paper.

JNO. MACLEAN, Liquidator.

Bangkok, 30th January, 1893. [343]

K. E. B. A. O.

SOCIETE ANONYME FRANCAISE.

CAPITAL 4,000,000 FRANCS.

LA SOCIETE KEDAO (TONKIN), dont l' extraction prend tons les jours de l'importance et qui est en seule FOURNISSEUR DE LA MARINE FRANCAISE AU TONKIN, dont

le Charbon est brûlé dans façon régulière à bord des Steamers des Missions des Marques, et en particulier à bord des Missions des Marques, and so on.

Le Directeur Général de Kedao, HENRY PORTAL, Kedao, le 10 Decembre, 1893. [143]

Insurances.

THE STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, ESTABLISHED 1835.

INVESTED FUNDS £7,000,000 STG.

ANNUAL INCOME £900,000 STG.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS, SHANGHAI: AUGUSTUS WHITE, Esq.

F. H. BELL, Esq.

JAMES L. SCOTT, Esq.

NEIL MACLEOD, Esq., M.D., Medical Officer.

Intimations.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

SELECTIONS FROM OUR LIST OF WINES AND SPIRITS.

WE beg to invite careful attention to the following List of WINES & SPIRITS, for we have succeeded in combining purity and excellence of quality with moderate prices.

BRANDY.

	Per	Per	Per
	Cia.	Bottle	Box
OLD PALE COGNAC, O.P.	\$11	\$1.00	
SUPERIOR OLD COGNAC, V.O.P. 14	1.20		
AN OLD LIQUEUR COGNAC, O.L. 16	1.10		
THE FINEST LIQUEUR COG- NAC, 20 years old, v.o.	20	1.75	

WHISKY.

	Per	Per	Per
	Cia.	Bottle	Box
OLD PALE COGNAC, O.P.	\$11	\$1.00	
SUPERIOR OLD COGNAC, V.O.P. 14	1.20		
AN OLD LIQUEUR COGNAC, O.L. 16	1.10		
THE FINEST LIQUEUR COG- NAC, 20 years old, v.o.	20	1.75	

GIN.

	Per	Per	Per
	Cia.	Bottle	Box
GENEVA A.V.H. 14 large bottles in case	6	0.50	

	Per	Per	Per
	Cia.	Bottle	Box
KEY BRAND GENEVA—Finest procurable	7	0.60	

	Per	Per	Per
	Cia.	Bottle	Box
OLD TOM	5	0.45	

	Per	Per	Per
	Cia.	Bottle	Box
DAKIN, CRICKSHANK & CO., LTD., Hongkong, 1st March, 1893.	1.38		

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

CHEMISTS BY APPOINTMENT.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

MANUFACTURERS OF AERATED
WATERS.

OUR NEW FACTORY has been recently
fitted with automatic Steam Machinery
of the latest and most approved kind, and we
are well able to compete in quality with the best
English make:

The purest ingredients only are used, and the
utmost care and cleanliness are exercised in the
manufacture throughout.

"BOMBAY SODAS."

We continue to supply large bottles as heretofore,
Free of Extra Charge, to those of our
Customers who prefer to have them to the ordinary
size.

COAST PORT ORDERS,
whenever practicable, are despatched by first
steamer leaving after receipt of order.

For COAST PORTS, Waters are packed and
placed on board ship at Hongkong prices, and the
full amount allowed for Packages and
Empties when received in good condition.

Counters Order Books supplied free on
application.

Our Registered Telegraphic Address is
"DISPENSARY, HONGKONG."
And all signed messages addressed thus will
receive prompt attention.

The following is a List of Waters always kept
ready in Stock:

PURE AERATED WATER

SO DA WATER

LEMONADE

POTASH WATER

SELTZER WATER

LITHIA WATER

SARSAPARILLA WATER

TONIC WATER

LEMON SQUASH

GINGER ALE

RASPBERRYADE

GINGERADE

No Credit given for Bottles that look dirty or
greasy, or that appear to have been used for any
other purpose than that of containing Aerated
Waters, as such Bottles are never used again by us.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,
The Hongkong Dispensary, Hongkong.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 1893.

TELEGRAMS.

LORD SALISBURY.

LONDON, March 17th.

The Marquis of Salisbury is suffering from a
severe attack of influenza.

HONGKONG OFFICIAL SALARIES.
Mr. Sydney Charles Buxton, Parliamentary
Secretary to the Colonial Office, states that while
the Marquis of Ripon cannot assent to any reduction
in the salaries of holders of office in Hong-
kong, he is taking steps to reduce the very heavy
outlay, and is pondering over the question of a
Special Inquiry Commission.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

It is estimated that there was an excess of
10,000 deaths over births in France during 1892.

THE Hawaiian Islands have 1,700 incurable
lepers. A nice inducement this for annexation
by any civilized Power.

THE glutinous goat, says the *Washington Star*,
will melt with intense satisfaction a revisitation
of the critic.

At the Magistrate to-day before Capt. Hastings
two Chinese were fined \$160 and \$75 respectively
for having contraband opium in their
possession.

THE Languedoc Ship Canal in France, by a
short passage of 148 miles, saves a sea voyage
of 2000 miles by the Bay of Biscay and Straits
of "Gib."

Mrs. Dasher—Isn't it strange that women no
longer wear golden buckles on their shoes?

Mrs. Dasher—They wear them now above
their shoes.

The Chinese boxer arrested in connection with
the alleged highway robbery on Thursday last
on Pokfulam Road was again brought before
Mr. Wodehouse to-day at the Magistrate and
committed for trial at the Sessions.

BRANDY.

Lochaber.—A mellow old whisky... 8

F. O. S.—A blend of the finest
whiskies produced in Scotland,... 10

Liqueur.—A very rare old Scotch
whisky. *Square bottle* 11

IRISH.—John Jameson's 12

AMERICAN.—Genuine old Bourbon 10

GIN.

GENEVA A.V.H.—14 large bottles
in case

KEY BRAND GENEVA—Finest
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OLD TOM

DAKIN, CRICKSHANK & CO., LTD.,
Hongkong.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1893.

Mr. PLUMMER: "I just found my hat on the
refrigerator. I wonder on what ridiculous thing
I will find next?" Mrs. Plummer: "Probably
on your head, dear!" And Mrs. Plummer smiled
sweetly as Mr. Plummer slammed the door and had
rushed downstairs.

Critic—"That woman over there looks as if
she had been painted."

Great Actor—"Sir, that is my wife!"

Critic—"I had not finished my sentence. She
looks as if she were painted by Raphael and had
just stepped out of the frame."

We hear that Mr. W. Amery who came of second
in the recent maritime *casus abusiva*, left
London by the "Kingin" line steamer, *Prinsep*
yesterday, and that he intends fighting his case
at home against Captain Hatchett of the
Whamp as far as he is worth, and to the bitter
end.

John Speeley said:—I am master of the
British barque *Penshaw*, certificate Hongkong,
20th March, 1892. I joined the *Penshaw* on
the 18th from Hongkong, Alabat Island. I went there from Camagon; we
left there on Saturday morning, 18th February,
half-loaded, with hardwood, bound for
Calaguas complete loading. We drew 15 ft.
7 in. at, and 15 ft. 1 in. forward. It was
a fine weather, wind north north east, force
4. We sailed on the starboard tack, intending
to work in between Camagon and Balabas
Islands. (Charts produced). This chart, No.
257, the latest, was the one with which
I was working, but I was also referring to
the other. (Course shown on chart). The coast
in this part is all in blue line (indicating imper-
fect surveying) but no instructions are given in
the charts. We went north-west to pass between
two islands, and then tacked to the eastward; we
made several tacks, but could not get through
the passage owing to the currents, and so had to
try another channel, to the westward of Alabat; we
tacked 10 times to make these 180 miles.
Later, the wind dropped nearly calm, and as no
anchor could be got, the vessel lay to and
drifted with the current. At half past four on
the morning of the 19th, I saw the island about
four miles off; the vessel was going about four
knots. I asked the mate if the vessel would
"stay" and he said "No; we used to set more
sail." We had the foretop and main-top sail
set, and were setting more, when she grounded—
so slightly at first that I was not sure she had
touched. Put the helm hard down, and she came
round, touching slightly a few times. Got her
round on the starboard tack, and soon after that
she stopped. She was astern forward, but fast
at astern. Soon after that she came up, head to
wind, on her old tack. As she continued to
back, I let go the anchor on the port side to
prevent her going further on the reef. She did
not haul the yards round. It was about 5 a.m.
when she struck, and, by this time it was
getting day-light, and the bottom could be
clearly seen—sand, with heads of coral here
and there; 1 ft. 6 in. to sixteen feet of water
over them at high tide, when she struck, and
up to them a foot or two above water at low
tide. She remained free forward, but fast ast
at astern; the bow was knocking about very much,
the masts were shaking, and I thought they would
come down every minute. I consulted the second
mate and we both of us thought that the ship
would not remain on board, so I got the
pilot to go to the stern and see if she would
remain. The pilot said "No, she will not remain."
I then got the first mate to go to the bow and
see if she would remain. The first mate said
"Yes, she will remain." I then got the
second mate to go to the stern and see if she
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forming the Vanishing Act as you only put it. They could never recover themselves. It may seem a grand thing to be able to go shopping, dining, drinking, &c., &c. on credit, but the time must come for the settling or the writ of summons, and we all know how many people avoid the latter by a timely departure for sunnier climates. Again, look at the life a seafarer gets in port. From early dawn till dark out, a number (better say a procession) of steam-launches, and numbers of every description pass in review, passing men to order something which they either do not require or cannot afford to pay for. Nearly every trading firm and club in the Colony employs bill collectors or summen to render their debtors' lives miserable. Several courses are open to the unfortunate debtor (all frequently tried)—first, he may "vanish," if the amount is alarming; secondly, he may elect to reform the habit and pay off by instalments; thirdly, he may make some one else pay up, if he can. He may be found out or not, as the case may be, but, even if he is found out or thinks so, personally he may take a lot of finding. He may be found "not to be," as a well known seafarer was the other day, and so finished with arrears and dues. But whichever way it is faced it is a very unpleasant ending to a few sign-manuals. Chits are the worst, the most iniquitous of the customs prevailing here. Why, bless you, Sir, I have known people who did not recognise their own signatures to their chits after a night out. Why were they allowed to sign in that state? I might say invited. But for this system they might have been at home or at least *in mensa*. Money they probably had not to start with, but even if they had, I say even then the money was their own, and if they got shorted in their change now and again, that was infinitely preferable to getting a number of chits with the signatures unrecognisable.

The practice a few shopkeepers and tradesmen have of forcing sales on credit, will no doubt continue, until people are brought to see the imminent danger to themselves consequent upon the adoption of this "elo custom." I will conclude not by asking purveyors to stop the practice (that I know would be useless), but to a k-f-line men who are given to the practice of chit-signing and buying on unlimited credit, whether it is better to be their own masters or the aij ct slaves of men of the world and also by asking them, if they wish to be free to do and say as they please, to avoid the alluring crayon and cut form as they would poison.

Yours faithfully,

A VICTIM.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1893.

ACTOR BILL.

A STAGE GOAT DIES OF AN OVERDOSE OF TOMATO CAN.

One of the oldest members of the Harrigan Theatre Company died last Saturday afternoon, Feb. 4th and the act-play performed the following day revealed the fact that death had been caused by a tomato can on the stomach.

The deceased rejoiced in the name of "Bill" and he was born in Hartlepool eleven years ago. He joined the Harrigan company during the run of "Squatter Sovereignty," and was a valued member of the company until his final end came. He weighed about eighty pounds and had whiskers two feet long that swayed gently in the stage draughts and caused a symphony of sound like the far-off murmur of an ocean harp.

He was one of the largest goats in New York and he had an appetite for hardware surpassed by none and equalled by few. His sudden death cast a gloom over the *theatre* the company and occasioned many sincere expressions of regret and sorrow.

The autopsy was conducted by a Thirty-fourth-street veterinary surgeon in the presence of Mr. Harrigan and Manager Mart Hanley. The cause of death was only too apparent. A tomato can with sharp edges had caused a hemorrhage of the stomach. The articles taken from the stomach of the deceased were placed on shelves in Manager Hanley's office awaiting claimants. Miss Adie Lewis, "the tough girl" claimed a gold brooch, a silver bangle and three pieces of hairpins; Maggie Murphy (Miss Emma Pollock) was delighted at the discovery of a gold and turquoise chandelier watch chain and a silver buckle; Mrs. Yedman recovered a nickel circle and portions of a hospital kit. Mr. Harrigan found a silver-backed hairbrush, a shaving mug, a razor strop and two pairs of driving gloves; Mr. Hanley an automatic ticket-punch, a pair of cuff buttons and four enamelled shirt studs; John Wild, two brass knuckles, a tie badge and a badly twisted brass corner. There are yet unclaimed number of pressed corset beads, maple syrup and French pea cans, a placo, leg, two silk lambrequins, 50c in silver coins, 76 cents in copper and portions of a brass bedstead.

As an act "Bill" was successful in thinking that his work was especially praiseworthy from its fidelity to nature and lack of self-affectedness. His appearance on the stage was always a signal for applause from the audience and a menace to the scenery, of which he was specially fond. Stone houses and painted flagstones were a favorite article of diet, and so the scene painter was compelled to earn his salary. "Bill's" sudden death creates a vacancy in the company which will be hard to fill.—*New York Recorder*.

DRIPPING WORDS OF FAMOUS MEN.

Someone has taken the pains to look up the last sayings of men known to fame. Whether he has presented an absolutely authentic statement is not known. He has, however, succeeded in compiling a curious collection of deathbed phrases that have the ring of truth in them. The list is as follows:

"It is well."—*Washington*.

"I must sleep now."—*Burns*.

"This is your fidelity?"—*Nero*.

"Then I am safe."—*Cromwell*.

"Let the light enter."—*Goethe*.

"And is this death?"—*George IV.*

"God's will be done."—*Bishop Kerr*.

"God will save my soul."—*Burgess*.

"Lord, take my spirit!"—*Edward VI.*

"Lord, make haste!"—*H. Hammond*.

"Lord, receive my spirit!"—*Cranmer*.

"The sinless cease to beat."—*Haller*.

"Don't give up the ship."—*Lawrence*.

"It is the last of earth."—*J. Q. Adams*.

"God preserve the Emperor."—*Haydn*.

"I am about to die."—*Samuel Johnson*.

"Independence forever."—*John Adams*.

"Give Dayrolles a chair."—*Chesfield*.

"I shall be happy."—*Archibald Sharp*.

"Don't let poor Nellie starve."—*Charles II.*

"I have endeavored to do my duty."—*Taylor*.

"I thank God I have done my duty."—*Nelson*.

"I feel as if I were myself again."—*Walter Scott*.

"An Emperor should die standing."—*Perseus*.

"The best of all is, God is with us."—*John Wesley*.

"Clasp my hand, my dear friend, I die."—*Aldred*.

"I sometimes find how the dead look."—*Relish*.

"I'm shot! I don't believe I'm dying."—*Thurston*.

"I loved God, my Father, and liberty."—*John Stark*.

"A dying man can do nothing, say."—*Franklin*.

"My beautiful flowers, my lovely flowers."—*Richter*.

"James, take good care of the horse."—*Winfield Scott*.

"Many things are becoming clearer to me."—*Schiller*.

"I feel the daisies growing over me."—*John Keats*.

"What is there no briking death?"—*Cardinal Beaufort*.

"Taking a leap in the dark. O, mystery."—*Thomas Paine*.

"Let the earth be filled with glory."—*Earl of Derby*.

"There is not a drop of blood on my hands."—*Frederick V.*

"I am taking a fearful leap in the dark."—*Thomas Hobbes*.

"Don't let that awkward squad be over my grave."—*Burns*.

"Here, veteran, if you think it right, a like."—*Claro*.

"My days are past as a shadow that returns not."—*R. Hooker*.

"I thought that dying had been more difficult."—*Louis XIV.*

"O, Lord, forgive me, especially my sins of commission."—*Usher*.

"Let me die to the sounds of delicious music."—*Mirabeau*.

"It is small, very small," a lading to her neck, "Anne Blythe."

"Let the earth be filled with his glory."—*Bishop Broughton*.

"Let me hear those notes, so long my solace and delight!"—*Moart*.

"To die for liberty is a pleasure, and not a pain."—*McCormick*.

"We are as near heaven as by land."—*St. Humphry Gilbert*.

"I do not sleep, I wish to meet death awake."—*Maria Theresa*.

"I resign my soul to God; my daughter to my country."—*Jefferson*.

"I would not change my joy for the empire of the world."—*Paul Sidney*.

"Farewell, Livia, and ever remember our long union."—*Augustus Caesar*.

"I have sent for you to see how a Christian can die."—*Addison* to *Warrick*.

"I am dying out of charity to the underaker, who wishes to use a lively hood."—*Hood*.

"This is the last flickering of a lamp that has long been burning."—*General Wood*.

"I want nothing, and I am looking for nothing but heaven."—*Phil Melanchthon*.

"I have seen all things, and all things are of little value."—*Alexander Sevres*.

"Remorse! Remorse! Write it! Write it! Write it! Larger! Larger!—*John Randol*.

"We are all going to Heaven and Vandyke is of the company."—*Gainsborough*.

"Gentlemen of the jury, you will now consider your verdict."—*Lord Tenterden*.

"I thank God that I was brought up in the Church of E. gland."—*Bishop Gunning*.

"O, liberty, liberty, how many crimes are committed in thy name."—*Mme. Roland*.

"Let us cross over the river and rest under the shade of the trees."—*Stonewall Jackson*.

"Critic, we owe a cock to E. C. Lepic."—*Play*.

"Soon, I pray you, and a'gleet it not."—*Socrates*.

"I am dying out of charity to the underaker, who wishes to use a lively hood."—*Hood*.

"Throw up the window that I may once more see the magnificent scene of nature."—*Rossman*.

"Soul, thou hast served Christ these seventy years, and art thou afraid to die! Go out, go out!"—*Hillary*.

"If I had strength enough to hold a pen, I would write how easily and delightful it is to die."—*William Hunter*.

"I pray you see me safe up, and for my coming down let me shift for myself."—*Sir Thomas Moore on the scaffold*.

"My soul I resign to God, my body to the earth, and my worldly possessions to my relatives."—*Michael Angelo*.

"When you wish to know what to do, ask yourself what Christ would have done in the same circumstances."—*Horace Mann*.

"I have provided for everything in my life except death, and now, alas! I am to die, though thoroughly unprepared."—*Carter Borgia*.

"Had I but served my God with half the service I have given my King, he would not have given me over in my gray hairs."—*Cardinal Wolsey*.

"It will not be long before God takes me, for no mortal man can live after the glories which God has manifested to my soul."—*England*.

"Lord, enlighten and soften the hearts of my executioners. Adieu forever, my dear child en route to join your father."—*Mrs. Antoinette*.

"Do good to your brother, for we shall this day light such a candle in England as, by God's grace, shall never be put out."—*Lettiner to Ridley*.

"Do not weep for me, nor waste your time in fruitless prayers for my recovery, but pray rather for the salvation of my soul."—*Isabella of Aragon*.

"I have lived long enough, and I am thankful on this life as nothing better than vanity."—*John Locke*.

"I am perfectly resigned. I am surrounded by my family. I have served my country, I have reliance upon God, and I am not afraid of the Devil."—*Gratian*.

"I am going the way of all flesh. I am satisfied with the Lord's will."—*John Newton*.

"My country! Oh, how I love my country!"—*William Pitt, the younger*.

"Thank God, I can lay my hand upon my heart and say that since I came to man's estate I have never intentionally done wrong to any one."—*Francis Marion*.

"Here's a bock (the Bible) worth more than all others ever printed; yet, if it be my misfortune never to have found time to read it, I shall be in the mercy of God. It is now too late."—*Patrick Henry*.

"Not one foot will I flee so long as breath bides within my breast, for He who shaped both sea and land, this day shall end my battles, or my life. I will die King of England!"—*Richard III.*

"Father in heaven, though this body is breaking away from me, and I am departing this life, yet I know I shall forever be with Thee, for no one can pluck me out of Thy hand."—*Augustine*.

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WHY IS IT?

Why is it that death should come before the allotted age of "three score and ten," and why do so many millions of human beings never live to three score and five, and why that not one in every thousand live to three score years? We kill ourselves. Many interesting particulars are found in tables of physiologists and writers on hygiene. The eminent physiologists, Haller and Buffon, present interesting particulars on the subject of longevity. They treat it in two ways, historical and physical. The historical side of the recitation of all facts known of the naturally ordinary and extreme duration of life and the physical aspect of the problem involves the contemplation of the great natural phases of development of the species, digestion, period of growth and length of life.

Mankind pays too little attention to the warning voice of nature; signs of approaching calamity are unheeded, the disorganization of the affected organ increases and after a time it becomes insensible, then no pain is felt and the sufferer is deluded into the belief that he has shaken off the disease; nothing could be more erroneous or dangerous, for the complaint has only passed on to another stage towards the end and nature ceases to send those warning aches and pains which were unnoticed when sent the mobility and weakness increase however and nervousness, loss of appetite, and general languor comes on and a cold is caught in the kidneys, lungs and liver and another life is sacrificed to Bright's disease. Consumption, or some other serious and fatal disease. Scoffers can talk as they like at the virtues claimed by Clements' Tonie but even the most prejudiced men know it is genuine and does possess merits in other medicines ever did, as instance in the following case. "For the past four years I have been a great sufferer from severe pain in the back and legs, and at times quite unable to do any work or even walk about. I suffered in this way until it became quite unbearable and in February, 1890, I consulted a physician who treated me for several months, and during that I suffered the severest torture under his treatment and instead of improving continued to get worse. He said at last, 'I have done all I can and you will never be better.' This drove me to despair and I went under another doctor's treatment for four months and took another doctor's treatment for four months but with no result, was giving up all hope when I read of the wonderful cures effected by Clements' Tonie and on my husband's advice I tried it, and after the use of only three bottles I was quite a different woman. I have taken 16 bottles and feel as well and strong as ever and can do my work with ease and pleasure, whereas, before taking Clements' Tonie I could not walk for miles without fatigue. After taking this medicine I have often suffered with Neuralgia for weeks at a time and could never get any relief but since taking Clements' Tonie I have never had an attack of it since, as a result of my experience I have now no pain in my body and I am quite well again. I have taken 16 bottles and feel as well and strong as ever and can do my work with ease and pleasure, whereas, before taking Clements' Tonie I could not walk for miles without fatigue. After taking this medicine I have often suffered with Neuralgia for weeks at a time and could never get any relief but since taking Clements' Tonie I have never had an attack of it since, as a result of my experience I have now no pain in my body and I am quite well again. I have taken 16 bottles and feel as well and strong as ever and can do my work with ease and pleasure, whereas, before taking Clements' Tonie I could not walk for miles without fatigue. After taking this medicine I have often suffered with Neuralgia for weeks at a time and could never get any relief but since taking Clements' Tonie I have never had an attack of it since, as a result of my experience I have now no pain in

The Share Market.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.—10 per cent., prem., sellers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £8,100, paid up—35 per cent. div., sellers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders' shares, \$130 per share, buyers.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—92, buyers.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits Ltd.—Founders' shares, \$130 per share.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1883 B—24 per cent. premium, sellers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—2 per cent. premium, buyers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—14 per cent. premium.
Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$83 per share, sellers.
China Traders' Insurance Company—\$56 per share, sales and sellers.
North China Insurance—Tls. 105 per share, buyers.
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$100 per share, sales and buyers.
Yangtze Insurance Association—\$100, sellers.
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$20 per share, sellers.
China Fire Insurance Company—\$22 per share, ex. div., buyers.
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$20 per share, sales and buyers.
China and Manila Steam Ship Company—18 per share, sellers.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—50 per cent. discount, buyers.
Douglas Steamship Company—\$36 per share, sales and buyers.
The Steam Launch Co., Limited—nominal.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—70 per cent. premium, sales and buyers.
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$15 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Hotel Company—\$20, sales and sellers.
Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$50.
The Austin Arms, Hotel and Building Company, Limited—\$4 per share, sellers.
The Shameen Hotel Co., Limited—\$3 per share.
Punjon Mining Co.—\$4 per share, sales and sellers.
The Raub Gold Mining Co., Limited—50 cents per share, buyers.
New Imuris Mining Co., Limited—10 cents per share, sales.
The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—10 cents per share, sellers.
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin—\$60 per share, sales and sellers.
The Jelbou Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$55 per share, sales and buyers.
The Selama Ilo Mining Co., Limited—4 cents per share, sellers.
London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ltd.—n.s., nominal.
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$148 per share, ex. div., sellers.
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$35, nominal.
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$15 per share, sales and buyers.
Dakin, Cruckshank & Co., Limited—\$2 per share, buyers.
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$4 per share, sales and buyers.
The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—\$7 per share, sales and buyers.
The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$5 per share, sales and sellers.
The West Point Building Co., Limited—\$33 per share, sellers.
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—\$7 per share, sales and buyers.
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$42 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$100 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Gas Company—\$100 per share, sales and buyers.
Hongkong Ice Company—\$64 per share, buyers, Hongkong and China Baker Company, Limited—\$65 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—\$4 per share, sellers.
The Green Island Cement Co.—\$4 per share, sellers.
The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$275 per share, sales and buyers.
The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited—\$35 per share, nominal.
The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$55 per share, sales and buyers.

EXCHANGE.
ON LONDON—Bank, T. T. 2/81
Bank Bills, on demand 2/84
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/81
Credits at 4 months' sight 2/9
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 2/91
ON PARIS—
Bank Bills, on demand 3/40
Credits, at 4 months' sight 3/48
ON INDIA—
T. T. 2/202
On Demand 2/212
ON SHANGHAI—
Bank, T. T. 7/1
Private, 30 days' sight 7/3

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Shipping.

ARRIVALS.
FRAMNES, Norwegian str., 985, O. Tharbjornsen, 18th March.—Bangkok 10th March, Rice and Paddy.—Arborth, Karbers & Co.
SWATOW, German steamer, 531, C. Blaue, 14th March.—Bangkok 6th March, Rice—Machinery & Co.
TAROS, German steamer, 1,346, J. Healer, 11th March.—Saigon 6th March, Rice—Stearns & Co.
WINDGANG, British steamer, 1,117, A. de St Croix, 15th March.—Calcutta 21st March, and Singapore 8th, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
COLONA, American bark, C. M. Noyes, 9th Feb.—Portland 20th Nov., and Honolulu 29th Dec., Timber and Spars.—Captain L. A. Colcord, 25th Nov.—Singapore dist Oct., Timber—Master.
HELEN BREWER, Hawaiian ship, 1,516, A. W. Newell, 24th Jan.—New York 17th June, and Manila 13th Jan., Oil—Order.

PAPA, German bark, 748, T. W. Thom, 17th Jan.—Cardiff 14th Sept., Fatten, Fuel and Coke—Order.

R. R. THOMAS, American ship, 1,333, Nichols, 11th March.—New York 10th October, Petroleum—Order.

VALOYAGE, British steamer, 451, K. Martin, 21st Feb.—Honolulu 15th Jan., General—Chinese.

WM. LE LACHEUR, British bark, 573, Reynold, 6th March.—Rejang (Borneo) 20th January, Timber.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.
Stam, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.
Hallong, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.
Nampong, British steamer, for Amoy.
Swatow, British steamer, for Chefoo, &c.
Niam, British steamer, for Singapore, &c.

DEPARTURES.
March 17, Churchtown, British bark, for Callao.
March 18, Amoy, German steamer, for Bangkok.
March 18, Nanking, Norwegian str., for Hainan.
March 18, Ryedale, British str., for Shanghai.
March 18, Terissa, British str., for Bangkok.
March 18, Niam, British str., for Singapore.
March 18, Stam, British str., for Swatow, &c.
March 18, St. Andrew, Norwegian steamer, for Saigon.
March 18, Choyang, British str., for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.
Per Nampong, str., from Penang, &c.—620 Chinese.
Per Chusan, str., from Haiphong, &c.—Hon. T. H. Whitehead, Messrs. Marshall, R. H. Bruce, Aschand, Göschin, and 50 Chinese.

DEPARTED.
Per Choyang, str., for Shanghai—Mr. F. Benson.

REPORTS.
The British steamship *Shantung* reports that she left Java on the 6th instant. Had fine weather up to Cabo; thence had strong north-east monsoon across the China Sea, and sea and fog outside this morning.

The German steamship *Chusan* reports that she left Haiphong on the 14th instant, and now on the 17th. Had moderate easterly wind and sea to the Ludrones; from there to port had strong north-west winds and heavy rain.

The British steamship *Nampong* reports that she left Penang on the 9th instant. From the 10th to 14th had strong monsoon with heavy sea. On the 15th had light wind, and fine weather. At 6 p.m. on the 16th had strong breeze and heavy swell with hazy weather.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE—
For Canton.—Per *Faifan* to-morrow, the 10th instant, at 9 A.M.
For Nagasaki and Windivstock—*Per Trilby* on Monday, the 20th instant, at 3:30 P.M.
For Haibow and Bangkok—*Per Leo Soh* on Tuesday, the 21st instant, at 9:30 A.M.
For Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta—*Per Winsong* on Tuesday, the 21st instant, at 11:30 A.M.
For London via Marseilles.—Per *Mendis* on Tuesday, the 21st instant, at 11:30 A.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

ALWINE, German steamer, 400, C. Petersen, 18th Feb.—Pahol 15th Feb., and Hohlow 17th, General—Wieland & Co.
ASAGAO, Japanese steamer, 1,541, H. Selek, 15th March.—Nagasaki 11th March, Rice and Paddy—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
BERNLOMID, British steamer, 1,757, W. Thompson, 16th March.—Moff 11th March, Coal, Gibb, Livingston & Co.

CHARTERS TOWNS, British steamer, 1,905, A. Murray, 15th March.—Katchaloo 10th March, Coal, China—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

CHINA, American steamer, 5,200, W. H. Seaboy, 10th March.—San Francisco 2nd February, Honolulu 9th, and Yokohama 11th March, Mail and General—P. M. S. Co.

CHOW-CHOW-FOO, German steamer, 706, F. Clausch, 10th March.—Hollo 9th March, Sugar and Wood—Melchers & Co.

COSMOPOLIT, German steamer, 551, W. T. Schaefer, 16th March.—Tourop 13th March, General—Wieland & Co.

ELSE, German steamer, 747, Christensen, 10th March.—Bangkok, 2nd March, Rice—Lauts, Wegener & Co.

FAIRY, British steamer, 117, Captain McLean, Hongkong Government tender.

HAILOONG, British steamer, 783, J. S. Roach, 16th March.—Kowloon 15th March, and Amoy 15th, General—D. Lapraik & Co.

HAITAN, British steamer, 1,182, F. D. Godard, 19th March.—Amoy 15th March, and Swatow 16th, General—D. Lapraik & Co.

INDEPENDENT, German steamer, 871, J. Schell, 16th March.—Saigon 11th March, Rice—Wieland & Co.

KRIEMLID, German steamer, 1,700, T. F. Force, 17th March.—Hamburg, via Singapore 10th March, General—Simonsen & Co.

LOO SOX, British steamer, 1,020, A. Benson, 14th March, Rice—Scatell Oriental S. Co.

ORIWA, British steamer, 1,119, H. S. Roach, 19th March.—Kob-ai-chang 7th March, Rice—Lau, S. C. & Co.

PIRA CHI, Chinese, K. L. Morris, 17th March, Rice—L. A. Morris 17th March, Rice—General—Yen Fai 9th March.

REINHOLD, German steamer, 1,700, T. F. Force, 17th March.—Hamburg, via Singapore 10th March, General—Simonsen & Co.

ROCK, British steamer, 1,119, H. S. Roach, 19th March.—Kob-ai-chang 7th March, Rice—Lau, S. C. & Co.

SHANGHAI, Chinese, K. L. Morris, 17th March, Rice—L. A. Morris 17th March, Rice—General—Yen Fai 9th March.

THAI, British steamer, 1,119, H. S. Roach, 19th March.—Kob-ai-chang 7th March, Rice—Lau, S. C. & Co.

WILHELM, British steamer, 1,119, H. S. Roach, 19th March.—Kob-ai-chang 7th March, Rice—Lau, S. C. & Co.

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